

## HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday, April 29, 1970

The House met at 2 p.m.

### ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

#### COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE

##### JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

Tenth report of Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs—Mr. Tolmie.

##### FISHERIES AND FORESTRY

Fourth report of Standing Committee on Fisheries and Forestry—Mr. Goode.

[*Editor's Note: For text of above reports, see today's Votes and Proceedings.*]

#### BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

##### ITEMS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 1

**Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, for the guidance of the House I would like to indicate the intended business for Friday. It would be our intention to call as the first item of business government order No. 92, second reading of Bill C-208, with regard to the Bills of Exchange Act, to be followed by government order No. 66, the report stage of Bill C-182, to amend the Supreme Court Act.

##### TRANSFER OF INVESTMENT COMPANIES BILL FROM FINANCE TO JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

**Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, there have been discussions among representatives of the parties with respect to a further redistribution of the work of the Finance Committee. I believe there will be found to be agreement to the transfer of the bill with respect to investment companies from the Finance Committee, to which it was referred after second reading, to the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs. If that assumption is correct, perhaps the following could be made an order of the House:

That the provisions of the Order of the House made February 16, 1970, in relation to the reference of Bill C-179, An Act respecting investment com-

panies, to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs, be rescinded and that the said bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs.

**Mr. Speaker:** Is this agreed?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Mr. Speaker:** It is so ordered.

**Mr. Forrestall:** On division.

**Mr. McCleave:** On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, may I ask the Liberal House Leader what he means by directing this bill to the Justice and Legal Affairs Committee?

**Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale):** Yes, Mr. Speaker. It was felt that the only committee approaching the Finance Committee in wisdom and sophistication was the Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs.

**Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** On division.

**Mr. McCleave:** I can only say that the minister has completely disarmed me, but I do not believe what he says and so I will consent to it on division.

#### GRAIN

##### WHEAT—ACREAGE REDUCTION PROGRAM—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Don Mazankowski (Vegreville):** Mr. Speaker, I ask for the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion under Standing Order 43 based upon an urgent and pressing necessity.

The circumstances urging me to propose this motion arise from the widespread rejection of the Operation LIFT program and the recent statements by the Minister without Portfolio (Mr. Lang) that the program will be implemented as announced despite the rejections and submissions made by the national farm organizations and other farm groups, clearly outlining the inadequacies of the program.

It is imperative that the government take immediate steps to overcome the widespread confusion and frustration existing among western farmers, created by the contents of the Operation LIFT program. I therefore